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NOTICE.
The commissioner of public works will be at his office each week day from 10 to 2 p. m.
J. H. EMIGH.

NO MORE DELAY. Evacuation of Cuba By Spain Must Be Hastened.

Orders Sent From Washington. President of Cornell Speaks Against Annexation.

NO MORE DELAY Will Be Tolerated In Evacuation of Cuba.

Washington, Sept. 23.—A very pre-emptory message of instructions has been sent the Cuban military commission and by them made the basis of a note to the Spanish commissioners. The general tenor is that the United States will not be satisfied with any further delay in the evacuation of Cuba.

GREAT HURRICANE. Island of Barbados Ruined. Hundreds Killed.

Kingston, Jam., Sept. 23.—A hurricane struck the island of Barbados on the night of September 10, completely wrecking the flat, exposed island and sweeping away 10,000 houses and damaging thousands more. Over one hundred people are killed, so far as known. All shipping was wrecked or blown out to sea. The total estimate damage, besides the loss from the cane crop and provisions, is about \$1,500,000 at Barbados.

FIFTY MINERS ENTOMBED. Terrible Explosion in Coal Mine This Morning.

Pittsburg, Pa., Sept. 23.—An explosion of fire damp in the Empire coal mines at Brownsville this morning entombed 50 miners. Two have been taken out dead so far.

The explosion occurred at 8 o'clock this morning and was caused by an accumulation of gas. One hundred and thirty men were at work at the time and all but 50 escaped uninjured. Five are believed to have been killed, a large number are still entombed. Great excitement prevails.

Hundreds of women and children surround the mouth of the pit. Rescuing parties have been organized.

To Vote in Mid Ocean.

Topeka, Kan., Sept. 23.—The 20th Kansas regiment now stationed at San Francisco which is soon to start for Manila will have a chance to vote for state officers and congressmen by putting a polling place on shipboard near the middle Pacific. The ballots will be sent them tomorrow.

Embassies of Aguinaldo.

San Francisco, Sept. 23.—Among the passengers on the China, which arrived yesterday, were Philip Agoncillo and Joseph Lopez, who are going to Washington as representatives of Aguinaldo. Agoncillo did not come direct from Manila, but started from Hong Kong, where he had been for sometime. He declines to make public what Aguinaldo wants or expects, but states that the insurgents generally look for ultimate independence. After a short stay at Washington, the two men will proceed to Paris to attend the meeting of the peace commission.

Other passengers on the ship were Brigadier General Greene and staff and Murat Halstead. General Greene said that he was not recalled for any reason that he knew of. With reference to the report that it was owing to his action in conducting an illegal court-martial at sea he stated that the cases were tried according to General Order, and the findings of the court were reversed by the Washington authorities. Speaking of the situation at Manila, General Greene expressed the opinion that there would be no trouble with Aguinaldo. The health conditions at Manila are improving, but it is extremely difficult to prevent disease from spreading among the American soldiers, as the Spaniards had occupied the buildings and left the germs of disease behind them.

Tomorrow's Almanac and Forecasts.
Sun rises—5:33, sets, 5:33.
Moon sets—11:48 p. m.
High tide—4:15 a. m.; 4:45 p. m.
The area of foul weather is moving slowly northeast. It will probably pass to the eastward by Saturday morning, followed by fair or clearing weather in New England. No great change in temperature is indicated for New England. Winds generally westerly.

Two Were Killed.
Albany, Sept. 23.—John Patterson, an octogenarian, and James Patterson, his nephew, were blown through a top house and a wall by an explosion of dynamite at Glenmont, a few miles south of this city, yesterday and killed. They had gone into the house to prepare dynamite for a blast.

OUR ORIGINAL POLICY. Any Departure From It Now Would Be Criminal.

Ithaca, Sept. 23.—President Schurman, in the course of his annual address to the students of Cornell university, touched upon the issue brought up by the recent war with Spain relative to the disposal of acquired territory, including the Philippines. He said "Now that war is over there seems to be a willingness on the part of some to depart from our original policy. At the beginning of the conflict our president and our congress in declaring war made a solemn declaration as to the motives and principles on which it was to be waged. We interfered, we declared, in Cuba for the sake of humanity, and disclaimed any intention of forcible annexation or control over the island. It is not in accordance with the principles to annex any territory which formerly belonged to Spain.

"We hear it advocated that the Philippines belong to us by right of conquest, but the idea that we have conquered them is a mistaken one. We have taken Manila, but there yet remain some 15,000 insurgents under the control of a fierce and desperate leader. To claim the islands by right of conquest it would be necessary first to conquer them. We are therefore under no obligation to its people. To keep this force in subjection it would be necessary also to maintain a large army in the Philippines. It would be another burden on our hands, and at expensive cost. We ought not to sacrifice youthful lives when there is no obligation to humanity and civilization is involved.

"Monarchy may expand by acquisition of territory, but democracy, which is government by the people and for the people, cannot afford to accept as its citizens people who are not capable of self-government. The nation, like a person, must be honest and keep its promises. When Cuba is pacified, then we must leave its government to its people. If they fail in their efforts to establish a stable form of government, which shall secure safety of life and property, then we must again interfere, but if they succeed, in my opinion not only Cuba, but also Porto Rico, will soon be tapping at our doors for admission to the Union. If we annex the islands I hold that we would be committing criminal aggression."

Inspecting the Camps.

Chattanooga, Sept. 23.—Secretary Alger and party were entertained at a dinner last evening by prominent citizens. General Alger stated that he was firmly convinced of the original healthfulness of Chickamauga park, but that it had been rendered temporarily unhealthy by the long occupation of the army. He intimated that the soldiers now in camp in this latitude will be moved farther south on the approach of colder weather.

Colonel Lee replied to and denied the charges made by General Wiley, Sanger and Colonel Leonard, and others against the quartermaster's department. Surgeon General Sternberg declared that naturally Chickamauga park was absolutely healthy and the water pure. The sickness at Camp Thomas was traceable directly to the failure of commanding and regimental officers to observe the sanitary regulations issued by the medical bureau.

Before leaving Chattanooga, Secretary Alger said: "The press has been disposed to exaggerate the condition of some of the camps, and things have been charged against the war department which were untrue and unwarranted. I want all the facts to come out.

"There may have been incompetent officers, general and colonel in charge of some of the camps, and if such is found to be the case, they will be held strictly accountable for their misdeeds. If there are any commanding officers who are now incompetent or who fail to put their camps in first-class condition, and keep them that way, I propose they shall be replaced by men who are competent, and who will see that perfect sanitary conditions are established and maintained."

They Fought Too Much.

Madrid, Sept. 23.—The ministerial newspapers protest against the idea that the United States will keep the Philippine islands. They maintain that Spain's rights to these islands are incontestable, and that she is "resolved to defend her rights with the greatest energy." The government papers also contend that the terms of the peace protocol confirm Spain's right to the island of Luzon and the rest of the Philippine islands, and they declare that if the United States basins claim on humanity and civilization, Spain will prove that there is no higher civilization in any of the Asiatic colonies than in the Spanish colonies in Asia.

The rumor that the Rothschilds are to lend Spain a large sum of money when the treaty of peace shall have been signed is denied here. Officials of the Spanish government claim that the bank of Spain is able to supply the immediate demands of the government.

4.30.

TO SPREAD STRIKE.

Lasters May Order All Union Men In State Out.

Brockton, Sept. 23.—Tonight the lasters of Brockton will seriously consider the proposition of ordering a strike in every shop in Massachusetts where there are union men and Chase lasters machines found. This is contemplated on account of the machine company placing their agents in factories where the strike is on to run the machines. It appears now to be a trial of strength and endurance between the union and manufacturers. Both refuse to yield.

Trouble Fared In Montello.

Brockton, Sept. 23.—Several of the factories are picketed, but no trouble is anticipated except in Montello, where the Poles are in an ugly mood. They threaten both the firms and the men at work, and as they gather in large numbers, trouble is anticipated. Police protection is said to have been secured for the opening and closing hours.

T. D. Barry has an instructor at his factory, and it is understood that several pupils in lasters have been secured, but work has not commenced. There are now about 20 shops running all right, having made settlements, and of the remaining 25, over half are making some progress. The situation is not half as bad as some people have tried to picture it, and no calamity is anticipated. The shops working do not employ quite as many men, taken as a body, as those affected, but there are enough men working in these to bring the number of workers above those on strike. It is estimated that there are 700 men out on strike, and 150 to 200 in other departments are forced into idleness on account of the strike.

Another statement by the secretary has had a healing effect in contrast with that caused by his first action, and it brings his case much more clearly to the eyes of those who were so bitter against him at first. The feeling that he has been bought, as some claimed at the start, is dying out, and those who do not agree with him will call it a case of misjudgment. They assert that he was a little premature and made the settlement come harder than it otherwise would have been. The manufacturers and many men in other trades call it a very sensible statement, and are eager to have it acted upon.

It is understood that the grocers are going to take a stand and demand cash, but most of the stores have been running on that basis anyway. The saloons are doing a rushing business. The meeting tonight may produce some more things that will interest the entire community. The lasters will hold a special meeting, and the election of a new secretary is known to be the primary object. A joint conference of the cutters, finishers and lasters' executive committees is causing much talk, but its object cannot be learned.

Will Enforce Extreme Measures.

Haverhill, Mass., Sept. 23.—Everything was quiet last night, in marked contrast to the scene of several nights previous. At a conference between Mayor Chace, City Marshal Worcester and representatives of the railway company it was decided to employ extreme measures if necessary to preserve order. All of the special police officers were summoned for duty, and 12 of them, with the 24 regulars, were stationed at White's corner and vicinity. The orders were to keep everybody moving, and they were carried out to the letter, with the result that there was no disturbance even to the extent of hissing, and by 10 o'clock the streets were deserted. Trouble was expected in other parts of the city, but the only event was the storm of vegetables which a Willdale avenue car experienced.

The Bridgeport Tragedy.

Bridgeport, Sept. 23.—For the second time the remains of the woman who was found dismembered in Yellow millpond have been claimed. After the inquest yesterday afternoon, at which the father of the murdered girl and three brothers appeared, also Dr. G. C. Elghme, a dentist, with a chart prepared by the Hartford dentist who had filled Miss Gill's teeth, Coroner Doten felt convinced that the identity was thoroughly established and gave a permit to exhume the portion of the body now buried in potter's field, and with the head now at the morgue he turned it over to the parents.

Should the Middleboro incident be repeated and Miss Gill return home alive and well, then further efforts at identification would be futile, as the head was so badly cut up in the efforts to compare the teeth filling with that of the chart that all the strong points of the features were destroyed. Not the slightest hope is entertained by any member of the Gill family that Emma will never again put in an appearance alive.

Thursday the police arrested Harry Guilford, son of Dr. Nancy Guilford, as he was attempting to enter the residence of his mother. He was searched and found locked to forestall political objections by retaining only the one office. His present salary is \$300; as commissioner he would have received \$500. His announcement was received with tremendous applause, and his re-election by acclamation is a certainty.

Will Keep His Old Position.

Toronto, Sept. 23.—F. P. Sargeant, grand master of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen, stated at the grand lodge convention that he would again be a candidate for the position of grand master, and that if elected he would resign from the position on the industrial commission to which he was appointed by President McKinley. The president had told him when making the appointment that his being on the commission would interfere with his holding office in the brotherhood, but Mr. Sargeant determined to forestall political objections by retaining only the one office. His present salary is \$300; as commissioner he would have received \$500. His announcement was received with tremendous applause, and his re-election by acclamation is a certainty.

EVASIONS ILLEGAL.

Substitutes For Checks Held to Be Taxable For Revenue Purposes.

Washington, Sept. 23.—The commissioner of internal revenue has rendered a decision in which he says that a depositor's receipt in the following words is subject to a stamp tax as a bank check: "Received of the La Grange Banking and Trust company \$1, to be deducted from my deposit. (Signed) John Smith, Jr."

In his decision, the commissioner says "The war revenue act imposes a tax upon bank checks, drafts, certificates of deposits and orders for the payment of any sum of money, and the act intends to include all legitimate ways in which money can be withdrawn from a commercial bank. The use of a receipt, while not in terms forbidden, is presumptively so, and any attempt to use a receipt in lieu of a check is a manifest attempt to evade the tax which can only be prevented by taxing the receipt as a check. A receipt is not a negotiable instrument, and any attempt to treat it as such would result in difficulties to both the bank and the depositor."

The commissioner has issued a special notice to correspondents of the internal revenue office in which he explains that the delay in answering letters is wholly occasioned by the passage of the war revenue act, "which," he says, "touched the business interests of the country at so many points that this office was literally overwhelmed after its passage by correspondence from every section of the United States."

Want Harriers Maintained.

Quebec, Sept. 23.—The people of the United States evidently are beginning to awaken to the great importance of the results which may come from the work of the international high commissioners in session here. The Canadian representatives are urging that a treaty embodying commercial reciprocity be made, and such a treaty would seriously affect nearly all the great industries of the United States. These industries are being heard from in an emphatic way. The American commissioners have been besieged by deputations of Americans, praying and demanding that an iron-clad treaty be not entered into, which would disturb, if not in many cases destroy, the tariff laws. Yesterday the farmers put in their protest, being represented by Aaron Jones of Indiana, worthy master of the national grange, and N. J. Buehler of New Hampshire, chairman of the national executive committee.

Following Mr. Jones came another protest from Albert Clarke of the Home Market club of Boston. He said the organization he spoke for had upwards of 300 members, mostly manufacturers, and represented a total of capital invested of \$700,000,000. He opposed commercial reciprocity. Between two countries having the same products for exchange, reciprocity was never successful. If Canada and the United States each had something the other did not have it would be a different proposition.

Congressman Tawney of Minnesota presented a memorial signed by 250 of the principal lumber firms in 21 states, protesting earnestly against the reduction of the duty on Canadian lumber.

Chamberlains at a Reception.

Danvers, Mass., Sept. 23.—The Danvers Historical society gave an informal reception to Joseph Chamberlain and wife and other guests Thursday afternoon. In replying to Dr. Putnam's welcome, Mr. Chamberlain said in part: "Your president has spoken of a federation of the world. I am not so sanguine as he, but I do desire to see a federation of the Anglo-Saxon race. It is coming nearer and nearer. There was a time when such a thing would be considered a dream. We are bound by common ties, but we are continually misunderstanding each other. I once expressed a hope that some new Columbus would start from America and discover England. He would find that for the past 50 years a much better feeling toward this country has existed among the great majority of the people of England than has generally been believed to exist; but when he came back he would find the people incredulous. The press, statesmen and others have—I will not say maliciously, but by persistent misunderstanding—kept us apart. Recent events have changed all that, and we are feeling better than ever toward each other."

Parisian Temper at Fever Heat.

Paris, Sept. 23.—The Times declares that as the cabinet had refused to sanction General Brialmont's proposal to prosecute Colonel Fiquart, Zurichland waited until he had resumed the military governorship of Paris, when he acted upon his correspondence.

A majority of the papers announce this military coup with varying degrees of severity. Mr. Clemenceau charges Mr. Brisson with cowardice or hubricity, and couples President Faure's name with that of Zurichland in the alleged plot to suppress the truth and defeat justice. Mr. Clemenceau credits the ex-war minister with the remark: "If General Murel had not been so soft-hearted he would have had Dreyfus murdered."

Another paper accuses Mr. Faure with the gravest violence and accuses him of employing Brisson to make a coup d'etat. It points out that President Faure's military friends hold all the strong posts.

Queen of Cuba Returned.

Havana, Sept. 23.—Among the passengers who arrived from Key West was the widow of Dr. Hernandez. She was known as the queen of Cuba, and figured prominently in the insurrection, enlisting in General Maceo's command, in which her husband was a staff surgeon. Her husband was killed in the war, and she was taken a prisoner by the Spaniards near Sancti Spiritus and deported. She returns to the island with the intention of actively resuming work in the cause of the freedom of Cuba. Reports from all points of the island, besides confirming the statements regarding the want and destitution existing among Cuban soldiers, say that dysentery and malaria are decimating their forces. Official returns as to the mortality in the Santa Clara province during July show 226 deaths, of which 116 resulted from small-pox.

The Business of Clothes Making Is a Fine Art.

But as in other arts, the real artists are rare, chiefly because it takes years of indefatigable work to acquire the skill which goes toward making a famous reputation. C. H. Cutting & Co. whose label will be found on almost every garment in our store have achieved their high reputation by careful study of the demands of the trade for 28 years. If you will see the clothes you will marvel at the apparent inconsistency of the low prices, with a magnificent quality of fabric, tailoring and trimming, while the individualism of style will at once convince you that Cutting made clothes are not to be confounded with ordinary ready made. Men's suits \$5 to \$23, youths' suits \$3 to \$12, boys' suits \$1.50 to \$5, men's top coats \$6.75 to \$15.

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Stylish and Comfortable at \$3.50.
These Shoes compare favorably with many \$4.00, \$4.50 and \$5.00 Shoes at MURDOCK'S.

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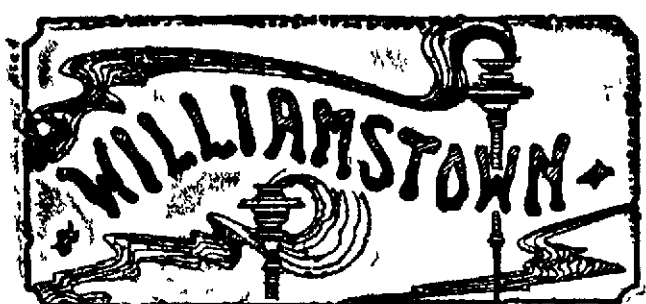
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Probably Extend a Call—A Das-
tardly Trick—A Novel Concert.

A DASTARDLY TRICK.

A number of boys were playing about the depot last Sunday when a freight train came along. Two brakemen had their heads out of the look-out on the caboose and as the caboose passed the station one of the boys viciously hurled a stone which struck one of the men near the eye. The brakeman was without doubt painfully hurt, for he at once went down into the caboose. The stone thrown was witnessed by several North Adams people who were waiting for a trolley car and one man took the trouble to learn the boy's name. When this had been done the boy began to realize that his wrongdoing had attracted attention and he made a dash for home. He is about 12 years old and ought to know better than to stone trains. He is liable to hear more of this case later.

A NOVEL CONCERT.

A novel and pleasing concert will be given in the opera house Saturday evening under the auspices of the Methodist church. The concert will be given by the Till family, who are known as the Rock band because they play on ringing musical stones arranged in a frame 12 feet long. These peculiar stones were collected in the Cumberland mountains in England and tuned by Mr. Till, who spent 11 years in perfecting the wonderful instrument, the like of which has never been heard here. Various other instruments are also played and vocal solos and elocution form part of the program. The price of admission will be 25 cents.

WILL PROBABLY EXTEND A CALL.

The Congregational church committee on pulpit supply will call a meeting of the church for Sunday evening, October 2, to consider matters in connection with calling a pastor. In all probability a call will be extended to Rev. W. H. Butler of New York, who has preached here twice within a few weeks and who has made a very favorable impression. Mr. Butler though a young man is a preacher of ability and it is felt by many that he is the right man for this pulpit.

A VIGOROUS OLD MAN.

Augustus Torrey of Hemlock Brook who is 83 years old, drove a pair of iron to the Hoosac Valley fair Wednesday took first premium and drove them home again, walking the entire distance. This is a pretty good record for a man of his years and he ought to have been given a premium as the champion aged pedestrian. The distance walked by Mr. Torrey was about 14 miles.

A GOOD COLLECTION.

At St. John's church last Sunday the rector announced that \$470 was raised to pay for the extension of the choir stalls and for the water meter that was put in when the new organ was installed. The collection amounted to \$375 and it is expected the balance will be raised next Sunday if not before.

A LOYAL SERVICE.

In response to a request Rev. Theodore Sedgwick has been in New York this week ministering to sick and dying soldiers in one of the hospitals. Mr. Sedgwick is a very sympathetic man and his services among the young soldiers have without doubt been very comforting to many.

The wall in front of the basement in which W. Adams restaurant is located has been flushed and there will be no more floods in the basement. A still further improvement will be made by taking down two elms which are partly dead and moving the sidewalk back to the wall. This will straighten the walk at that point and greatly improve the looks of the street.

Eugene Prindle was in the village Wednesday for the first time since he returned from the army and met many friends, all of whom were glad to see him. He is still thin and weak but is gaining that as could be expected.

Williamstown people attended the fair in large numbers Thursday and were well pleased with the exhibition and the races. Many premiums were taken by Williamstown people, as is the case every year.

Stephen Maynard is building a small house on Bee hill.

P. J. Dempsey of the 2d New York has taken his old place in Neyland & Quinn's store, where his many friends and the patrons of the store are glad to see him again.

C. W. Grey of Greenfield visited W. F. Williams Wednesday. Mr. Grey has had experience in newspaper work, having served as correspondent of the Troy Press and other papers.

Mrs. Lewis Taylor of Greenfield is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Taylor.

Miss Harriet Duperles of Natick is spending a week in town as the guest of Miss Clara Noel.

The Housatonic fair at Great Barrington will open September 28 for three days. The fair is billed in this town, but few from these parts will attend. The Cambridge, Pittsfield, Charlestown and North Adams fairs furnishing about all that is needed in this line.

D. F. Galusha, Jr. took nine first premiums on thoroughbred stock at the Hoosac Valley fair.

A new bishop's chair and a double chair have been placed within the church hall of St. John's church, one at each side of the altar. They were presented by the King's Daughters.

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Easy to Cook,
Easy to Eat,
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Spring Street, Williamstown.

B. F. Bridges made a good display of agricultural implements at the fair.

The Crescent Chess club football team will play a North Adams team in this town Saturday forenoon.

First J. W. Lawrence left town Thursday for Holly Springs, Miss., to become instructor in music at Rust university.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. The genuine has L. B. Q. on each tablet.

SHERMAN'S FAD.

How He Got the Reputation of "The Great American Beau."

"General, I never understood how it was you came to gain the reputation of 'The Great American Beau.' Won't you enlighten us?"

"The question tickled him. The seamed face displayed late wrinkles, and after laughing to his silent way for a minute or two he said:

"Well, now, you will be surprised when I tell you that that whole thing was the work of General Grant, but it's a fact. Just after the war closed Grant asked me to take a ride with him in Washington to find a horse he had just bought and of which he was very fond. As we spun down the avenue I said: 'See here, Grant, now that the piping times of peace have come we must choose a fad.'"

"What are you driving at, Sherman?" he asked.

"I mean to say that if we don't fix up on something the public will do it for us, and it may not be pleasant."

"Well, it is pretty generally known that I am fond of horses. I suppose that will answer for me. What have you in mind?"

"I told him I had fixed upon nothing as yet, but would try to do so. Meanwhile I asked for his help. He said he would be glad to serve me."

"Now, what do you suppose Grant did?" asked Sherman, with pretended indignation.

"Why, he made straight for the newspaper correspondents and told them that I had formed the resolution to devote the rest of my life to earning the name of a gallant for all the young ladies in the country. At the same time he intimated to the newspaper men that he would take it as a personal favor if they would do what they could to spread the news. It would doubtless be of assistance to me, and he was sure I would appreciate the kindness."

"Well, those correspondents didn't need any urging. The whole thing was handled from one end of the country to the other, my first knowledge coming from the papers themselves. I saw through the whole thing, though Grant didn't. He innocent. Ah, he was a sly wag, but," added Sherman, "I forgave him, and I find the work of trying to live up to the reputation he made for me the most delightful pursuit of my life."—Edward S. Ellis in *Chautauquan*.

An Eye to Business.

Optician—My dear sir, your case is hopeless.

Customer—And am I doomed to blindness?

Optician—It is inevitable. I think you'd better look at my beautiful line of artificial eyes at once.—*Jeweler's Weekly*.

THE LADIES.

The soothing flavor, gentle action, and soothing effect of Syrup of Figs when in need of a laxative, and if the father or mother be constipated or bilious, the most gratifying results follow its use, so that it is the best family remedy known and every family should have a bottle. Manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Co.

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To quit tobacco easily and forever, by using a little of life, nerve and vigor, take No-To-Bac, the wonder worker, that makes weak men strong. All druggists sell it. One coupon sent. No. 1000. A. M. P. Co. Address: Sterling Remedy Co., Chicago or New York.

PECULIAR POISONS.

GENERATED IN THE HUMAN BODY

The Result of Imperfect Digestion of Food.

Every living thing, plant or animal contains within itself the germs of certain decay and death.

In the human body these germs of disease and death (called by scientists Promotores) are usually the result of imperfect digestion of food, the result of indigestion or dyspepsia.

The stomach from abuse, weakness, does not promptly and thoroughly digest the food. The result is a heavy, sodden mass which ferments (the first process of decay), poisoning the blood making it thin, weak and lacking in red corpuscles, poisoning the brain causing headaches and pain in the eyes.

Bad digestion irritates the heart causing palpitation and finally bringing on disease of this very important organ.

Poor digestion poisons the kidneys causing Bright's disease and diabetes.

And this is so because every organ every nerve, depends upon the stomach alone for nourishment and renewal and with digestion shows itself not only in loss of appetite and flesh but in weak nerves and muddy complexion.

The great English scientist, Huxley said the best start in life is a sound stomach. Weak stomachs fail to digest food properly, because they lack proper quantity of digestive acids (gastric and hydrochloric) and pepsinogenic products, the most sensible remedy in all cases of indigestion is to take after each meal one or two of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets, because they supply in a pleasant, harmless form all the elements that weak stomachs lack.

The regular use of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets will cure every form of stomach trouble except cancer of the stomach.

They increase flesh, insure pure blood, strong nerves, a bright eye and clear complexion, because all those result only from wholesome food well digested.

Nearly all the druggists sell Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets at 50 cents each, full sized package or by mail by enclosing price to Stuart Co., Marshall, Mich., but ask your druggist first.

A little book on stomach diseases mailed free. Address Stuart Co., Marshall, Mich.

A Musical Sentry.

The author of "With Plumer in Matabeland" tells of some humorous sentry incidents.

A trooper had gone down to a water hole after the sentries were posted. On returning he was challenged, but, not knowing the countersign, he said he was a trooper and was sentry.

"Hang it all, you know me well enough! What's the use of playing the fool at this time of night?" pleaded the soldier.

"Can't be helped. You know the orders, and unless you give the countersign there you are, and there you will remain!" retorted the sentry. And he did remain there until the visiting officer admitted him in the small hours of the morning.

On another occasion the countersign was "Nordenflett," the name of a certain kind of gun. A soldier, on approaching the picket, had a lazy recollection that some sort of a gun had been mentioned as the countersign and in answer to the challenge gave "Maxim."

"That's not it," replied the sentry.

"Oh, well, the other kind of gun?" hazarded the man.

"Well, that's near enough. Pass in," said the sentry.

An orderly officer, on going his rounds, was astonished to find the sentry singing at him in this fashion:

"Hi! tiddle de de! Who goes there?"

"What do you mean, sir, by challenging in that fashion?" asked the officer.

"The last time I was on duty, sir, I was told to challenge in a more musical voice, and that's the only tune I know, sir," replied the sentry.

The Evolution of the Sideboard.

The dresser began service in the kitchen as a table, advancing until it was composed of a top and two shelves below, supported by four legs. It was then used not so much as a place for dressing the meats as a serving table, on which dishes were placed before being allotted to the members of the household. At a later period a portion of the dresser became inclosed, and after that an extra shelf, with sometimes a hood, was placed on it. It was not then an article of kitchen furniture, but stood in the hall or living room. As a result of the desire to reduce the quantity of furniture in the hall the credence and dresser were combined as one article, with a closet and shelf below and several shelves above, the whole surmounted by a canopy. Then it was like some of our sideboards, though it was not known by that name until the eighteenth century, when it assumed the long, low table form, with drawers and cupboards below. The name sideboard prior to this had, however, been applied to tables as early as the sixteenth century.—*Archaeological Record*.

Shortened the Prayers.

A Kansas City stockman tells this story about the commanding general of the army. When General Miles was fighting the Indians, he always held a short period of prayer before entering into an engagement. On one occasion he had followed the Indian trail for several days and came upon them in the middle of the afternoon. He immediately went into his season of prayer. The chaplain who accompanied the expedition was exceedingly long winded. In fact, he seemed to forget that he was out on the prairie, within reach of a hostile foe, and labored in true camp-meeting style. When he had finished his request to the Almighty that General Miles might come out victorious in the righteous cause, he was suddenly announced that the enemy had flanked to the army's rear and stolen all the pack animals. Miles was disconsolate and made an order that the prayers should be curtailed.

Willing to Yield.

The Troy Times tells of a little girl who had been naughty. When bedtime came her mother said to her, "Now, Mabel, when you say your prayers, be sure to ask God to help you and be a naughty little girl."

Mabel promised that she would add this petition to her prayers. So when she had finished her usual form she spoke as follows:

"And now, O God, please keep Mabel from being a naughty little girl." There was a pause, then she concluded, "Nevertheless thy will, not mine, be done!"

LAFAYETTE'S GOOD MEMORY.

He Remembered a Room He Had Not Seen For Fifty Years.

Washington's headquarters at Newburg, a small old fashioned Dutch house, fronting the Hudson river, is now owned by the state of New York. In repairing it care was taken to preserve the ancient form of every part that was retained. The front door opens into a large square room, which was used by Washington for his public audience and as a dining hall. It is remarkable for having seven doors and only one window.

In a recent publication, "A Godchild of Washington," the author quotes from the New York Mirror for 1884 an interesting anecdote connected with this room. Its authority is Colonel Nicholas Flanagan, died of the Revolution and the father of Hon. Hamilton Fish, secretary of state under President Grant.

Just before Lafayette's death he was invited with the American minister to dine at the house of M'chols, who was the French secretary of legation to the American colonies during the Revolution. When dinner was announced, the company were shown into a room which contrasted strangely with the elegance of the other apartments.

A low boarded, painted ceiling, with large beams, a single small, unornamented window, with numerous small doors, as well as the general style of the whole, gave at first the idea of the kitchen or largest room of a Dutch or Belgian farmhouse.

On a rough table was a repast, which consisted of a large dish of meat, uncouth looking pastry and wine indicated and bottles, accompanied by glass and silver nugs, such as indicated other habits and tastes than those of modern Paris.

"Do you know where you are?" said the host to Lafayette.

He paused for a few moments—he had seen something like this before, but when and where?

"Ah, the seven doors and one window! And the silver camp goblets, such as the marshall of France used in my youth!" exclaimed Lafayette. "We are at Washington's headquarters on the Hudson 50 years ago!"—*Youth's Companion*.

FISH AS FOOD.

There is No Evidence That It Supplies Phosphorus to the Brain.

Why is fish called a brain food? Does it really nourish the brain more than other articles of food? What kinds of fish are best in this respect, and does the method of cooking make any difference—that is, is boiled or fried fish better?

A chemical examination of fish shows that it contains a considerable amount of phosphorus. A chemical examination of the human brain shows that it also contains a considerable amount of phosphorus. From this fact the chemist jumps to the conclusion that fish must be especially good as a brain food, but there is not the slightest experimental evidence to support this theory. On the other hand, it is a well established fact that those communities and tribes of men which subsist most largely upon fish are the lowest in the scale of human development. The Tierra del Fuego live almost exclusively on raw fish and are perhaps the lowest of all human beings. A young student in a western college once wrote to Artemus Ward asking how much fish he thought he should eat to supply his daily mental needs. The wit replied that he thought a small whale would be about suited to his requirements.

Fish, like other forms of flesh, are most digestible eaten raw, but as few palates could tolerate the flavor of raw fish it may be suggested that broiling or boiling is the next best method of preparation. Fried fish, like fried beef, is almost wholly indigestible, as the fat renders the lean or albuminous portion of the fish almost wholly incapable of digestion by the gastric juice.—*Voice*.

The Mile in Many Countries.

The English mile, used also in this country, measures 1,760 yards, or 3,200 feet. But the mile of foreign countries varies almost as much as the language, so that traveling a mile is one thing either short or long, depending on other countries. The French system of the "kilometer," or 1,000 meters, is also used in Belgium and Holland. To cyclists and others traveling in these countries the kilometer—equal to 1,094 yards—is used as a mile measure. The Spanish mile is 1,360 yards, and the Russian only 1,067 yards. But the Chinese have the easiest time of all in making a mile record, their mile being only 409 yards. In Norway and Sweden the mile is 11,600 yards, and in Germany it equals three English miles. Other differences are Italian, 2,028 yards; Portuguese, 2,200; Austria, 2,847; and Denmark, 2,928.

No-To-Bac For Fifty Cents.

Guaranteed tobacco habit cure makes weak men strong, blood pure. 50c in all drugstores.

Mortgagee's Sale.

By virtue of a power of sale contained in a certain mortgage given by David W. Chambers to Blanche M. Reed, dated the 12th day of April, 1897 and recorded in the Northern Berkshire Registry of Deeds in Book 230 at Page 33 I will sell at public auction to the highest bidder, on the 8th day of October, 1898 at 10 o'clock in the forenoon of said day, at the office of Clarence P. Niles Room No. 9, Hoosac Savings Bank Building North Adams, Massachusetts, the following described land and premises for the purpose of satisfying said mortgage and interest thereon to wit:

A certain piece or parcel of land situated on the west side of West road leading from North Adams to the town of Adams bounded and described as follows to wit: Commencing at the north east corner of lot No. 1 as marked on the plan of building lots of T. W. Richmond dated June 1890 and made by F. S. Smith, C. D. thence north 87 degrees 13 min west one hundred sixty-five feet to an iron pin driven into the ground, thence north 1 degree 42 min west forty-seven and seven tenths feet to a like iron pin thence south 88 deg 15 min west one hundred sixty-five feet to a like iron pin and thence south 1 deg 45 min east forty-seven and seven tenths feet to the place of beginning, being lot No. 4 as marked on said plan and being the same premises conveyed to said Chambers by Charles H. Chapple.

Also a certain piece or parcel of land situated in said North Adams, bounded and described as follows, to wit: Commencing at the southeast corner of Madden's, thence northerly ten rods on said Madden's east line thence three rods and twelve links easterly, parallel with Clarkburg road, to a stake and stone, thence southerly ten rods to a point in north line of said road four rods east of first named bounds, thence west four rods on the north side of said road to place of beginning, being the same premises conveyed to said Chambers by Blanche M. Reed, March 30, 1887, recorded in Northern Berkshire Registry of Deeds, book 115, page 45.

The above described land and premises will be sold subject to a certain prior mortgage to the North Adams Savings Bank for \$1,000.

MARSHALL J. HAPGOOD,
Administrator of the estate of
F. H. H. Reed

North Adams, Mass., Sept. 14, 1898.

EARNED, NOT BOUGHT.

Staying Power Counts in a Long and Stern Race.

THE NATIONAL

Separate Leaf Note Book.

It is a binder for your exercises; has an index sheet, and is just what you need.

North Adams people need not be told how hard it is to earn and maintain a good reputation, and how easy it is to lose one. After such a loss it is well nigh impossible to regain the ground, and the majority who have slipped by the wayside have been forced to stay there. As with a man's reputation, so it is with medicinal preparations. Some achieve a reputation that stays with the time. It is founded on intrinsic merit and not sustained by elaborate advertising. It faces the public backed up by honesty and works its way quietly, but thoroughly. North Adams people want no better proof of the reputation earned by Doan's Kidney Pills than the following experience from a citizen.

Miss Minnie Wade of 18 Rutledge avenue says: My kidneys troubled me since I was a child. In fact, I can hardly remember when they did not. Very much of the time I was so utterly miserable that I could do nothing. A weak back and backache hung to me most of the time accompanied by a depression and tired feeling that unfitted me for anything. Dizziness, headache and urinary difficulty added to my troubles and I certainly was in bad shape. The impressive statements in the city papers referring to cures of kidney disease made by Doan's Kidney Pills induced me to give them a trial. I used many remedies before, and I had employed physicians who treated me for the kidneys, but I received little or no benefit.

I was suffering intensely when I obtained Doan's Kidney Pills from Burdette & Darby's but from the first dose I found them doing me good. They stopped the backache. The too frequent action of the kidney secretions ceased. I felt so much better every way after taking them I have no objections to your referring to me as Doan's Kidney Pills did me more good than anything else and I am only too glad to recommend them.

Doan's Kidney Pills for sale by all dealers price 25 cents. Sent by mail on receipt of price by Foster-McMunn Co., Buffalo, N. Y. sole agents for the United States. Remember the name, Doan's, and take no substitute.

The annual meeting of this institution for the choice of officers for the ensuing year will be held on Monday, the third day of October, 1898 at 2 o'clock p. m.

V. O. WHITAKER, Secretary.

North Adams, Mass., Sept. 9, 1898.

New Table.

The first table was probably the stump of the biggest tree.

The earliest Greek and Roman tables were round. Then they adopted the square shape to favor the reclining posture which characterized their later and more effeminate days.

History mentions some expensive tables. Cicero gave as much as \$25,000 for one with a richly grained top, and a table of citrus wood, which belonged to King Juba, sold at auction for \$10,000.

Good tables are indispensable articles in every house, especially in a library. Here is one in carved white oak, executed from a private design, and of shape and size never before known in ready made furniture. The sides are paneled and carved. The corners are carried on a full curve, with an overhanging top. The lower shelf is cut away slightly. The sides are arched and they end in claw feet. It is a very dignified piece of cabinet work, and will impart an air to the dining room. The price is only \$82. There are 1,000 square inches of writing surface in the top.

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WELSBACH STREET LIGHTS.

During the week the Prudential committee authorized a very good move, in placing a number of Welsbach street lights. Six of them have been placed. One on Crandall, one on Maple, one on Dean, one on Commercial, one on Hoosac and one on Orchard street. These are all dark places and were not sufficiently lighted by the electric arc lights. The light placed on Hoosac street near the bridge has long been needed. From the Boston & Albany railroad the bridge was always very dark and dangerous. Now the place is well lighted. The new lights burn especially fine and the contrast between them and the arc lights is striking.

RETURNED WITH HIS BRIDE.

Harry Bowen who is visiting at his father's home at Bowen's Corners is accompanied by his wife, Mr. Bowen was married at Washington, D. C., September 16, to Miss Alice Angelina daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Shotwell of that city. The wedding took place at the bride's home and Rev. J. D. Piper, her brother-in-law, performed the ceremony. The bride was attired in white organdie, trimmed with lace and ribbons. She carried a bouquet of carnations. Miss Edna Bowen, sister of the groom was bridesmaid and Alfred Dillingham was best man. Fred Bowen of this town was also present. The young couple have the well wishes of many friends.

PROF. W. P. BECKWITH TO SPEAK.

The annual session of the Massachusetts convention for 1939 will be held in the Universalist church at Salem, commencing Tuesday September 27, at 3 p. m., and will close Thursday, on the last day in the afternoon. Prof. Walter P. Beckwith, principal of the Salem Normal school, and former superintendent of schools here, will deliver an address on "Sunday School Teaching." The local Universalist church has elected delegates who will attend. Reduced rates will be given on all railroads. The fact that Prof. Beckwith is to speak will be a source of pleasure to the local delegates as he is sure to make an instructive address.

APPOINTED CURATE.

Rev. J. F. McGrath who has been assistant curate at St. Thomas church for the past two years has been appointed curate at the church of the Immaculate Conception in Bath, Me. Rev. John O'Brien is pastor. Mr. McGrath first came to this town from Easthampton. During his two years here, he has been an exemplary man. His efforts were always put forth in doing good, he was true to his profession and though he was of a quiet disposition yet he won the high regard of the Catholic people here and his departure will be a source of regret. All however wish him all possible success in his new position.

Mrs. Frances Avery and daughter of Miss Geneva of Bennington, Vt., are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Horace Avery of Pine street.

Don't miss seeing "The Dazzler" at the opera house this evening. The regular meeting of the N. E. O. P. will be held this evening.

The Democrats will hold a caucus meeting in the opera house Saturday evening to elect delegates to the state councilor, congressional, senatorial, county and representative conventions. All Democrats are expected to turn out and vote.

Thomas McGrath and James A. Powers shot and killed a fox near Hoosac Valley park at Zylonite Thursday morning. They also wounded another fox but it got away.

It pleased Adams people to see the little black pacer, "Sam Hill, Jr.," owned by W. H. Jenks of this town, win the free-for-all race at North Adams, Thursday. Also to see Mr. McGrath drive an old colt, "Bulo" win the society premium race. Both are fine horses.

David Carduff and William Dalglish will play a match game of quoits at Zylonite Saturday afternoon.

The dance held at Forest park pavilion Thursday evening by the Cecilia club was a very pleasant affair. The attendance was large and the occasion proved a very enjoyable one.

Don't miss the baseball game at Lawsonian park Saturday between Zylonite and North Adams. It will be as good if not better than last week's game which was one of the best ever played in the county.

The mills and schools closed Thursday and many people from here attended the annual Hoosac Valley Agricultural fair at North Adams.

Germania band gave a pleasing concert at the band stand on Center street Wednesday evening. They will hold a street parade Saturday afternoon and a dance at Forest park pavilion in the evening. There should be a large attendance.

The Ladies of St. Thomas' church will serve the first october supper of the season at the old St. Charles' church Saturday afternoon from 5 to 8 o'clock.

The forty hours devotion is being held at Notre Dame church. It began Thursday afternoon. Several out-of-town priests are assisting.

Dr. A. G. Potter was in Boston the past few days.

The concert at Trinity Methodist church this evening by the Rock band concert company is sure to please. Admission will be 25 cents.

The F. M. T. A. society will hold a dance in U. A. hall this evening. The ideal orchestra of North Adams will furnish music.

Beauty in Blood soap. Clean blood means a clean skin. No beauty without it. Casareta, Candy Catharine, clear your blood and keep it clear by stirring up the liver and driving all its impurities from the body. Begin today to wash your face, neck, throat, hair, hands, and that sticky blood, blotches, liver spots, and all the other things that make your skin look so ugly.

other general came from Spain to Porto Rico, and the poetess adapted to her native island, where she and her husband continued the work they had done so much to promote in earlier years. In the mean-



LOLA RODRIGUEZ.

time Sonora Rodriguez's poems were gaining fame for the author, having been translated into French, German and Italian.

Official persecution made Porto Rico again uncomfortable, and in 1887 the poetess and her husband removed to Cuba. Then Sonora Rodriguez, who for some years had been gathering and classifying the shells of the Antilles as a recreation and diversion from her political and literary work, made the acquaintance of several eminent naturalists, who brought her to the notice of their friends in other parts of the world. She received many contributions from distant places. In 1892 her fourth volume of poems appeared, and the Spanish speaking world accorded it a hearty welcome. The outbreak of the revolution gave much encouragement to the cause for which she and her husband had dedicated their lives, but with the coming of Weyler they soon suffered a persecution compared to which their troubles in Porto Rico were mild indeed, and they were glad to escape with their lives.

Great Many Very Sick. - Montauk, N. Y., Sept. 21.—The hospital now contains 619 men. Many of these are beyond hope, and for the next two weeks it is feared there will be many deaths, mostly from typhoid. The well soldiers are getting on finely and gaining flesh. There were but two deaths yesterday.

The Haverhill Struggle. - Haverhill, Sept. 21.—Obstructions were placed on the rails in several instances in an attempt to derail the cars last evening, but none of these attempts was successful, and the full schedule was run with the exception of the Bradford line, on which the cars were pulled off at 10 o'clock. This was done on account of the action of parties in getting rails on all the grades of that line, making the track unsafe for travel. No arrests were made, though several brushes occurred in the crowd.

An ordinance has been passed by the Haverhill division of the road to procure licenses before being put in control of cars, it being stipulated that each applicant for a license must have been a resident of Haverhill six months prior to the application. The ordinance was authorized to grant such licenses on such conditions as they saw fit to make, it being understood and openly stated that the ordinance would prevent the petty hired employees from holding their position and place the old men on the cars again. During the session a deputy sheriff served formal notice on the members of the board on behalf of Superintendent Woodman that there was a riotous gathering on one street and calling on them to perform their duty, appear on the scene and disperse the crowd. Being informed that serious trouble was not taking place there the aidmen ignored the summons.

RECENT INVENTIONS. - An improved horseshoe is formed of two halves hinged at the toe and drawn together at the heel by a bolt to cause the lugs at the side to clamp the hoof, no nails being used.

A Virginian has designed a safety stirrup for horseback riders which is formed of a supporting yoke suspended from the saddle, on the lower end of which a flat plate is pivoted to receive the foot of the rider.

Kavelopes are being manufactured with an auxiliary back, which can be addressed by the sender in order that the receiver may reverse it to cover the front of the envelope and return it to the address already written.

Surgeons' tools, razors, etc., can be disinfected after use by a newly patented apparatus in which supports are provided in the top of the cover to hold the tools, while a disinfectant is discharged into the chamber by an atomizer.

An Illinois woman has designed a simple alarm in which a clock mechanism is fastened to the wall, to be set off by cords running to the door, window and entrance where these entrances are opened, the clockwork carrying a cord which strikes a lamp set on a bracket near by.

PERT PERSONALS. - The queen of Holland need not think she can have Hobson.—Chicago Record.

Tim Hurst and Sagasta are now busy explaining how they were licked.—St. Louis Republic.

It is believed that Don Carlos has had the misfortune to step into an open coal hole.—Omaha World-Herald.

There is no punishment so severe for the person who attempts to brow beat Mrs. Leach's present pool of silence.—Washington Star.

Admiral Camara and Commodore Watson ought to have an opportunity to meet and talk over things that might have been.—Washington Star.

If we correctly understand General Weyler's policy, as announced by himself, it is his purpose to be as independent as a hog on ice and just about as useful.—Boston Herald.

A FEW POINTERS. - Recent statistics of the number of deaths show that the large majority die with consumption. This disease may commence with an apparently harmless cough which can be cured instantly by Balsam for the Throat and Lungs, which is guaranteed to cure and relieve all cases. Price 25¢ and 50¢. Sold by all druggists; ask for a free sample today.

SHAKE INTO YOUR SHOES Allen's Foot-Ease, a powder for the feet. It cures painful, swollen, smarting, nervous feet and instantly takes the itching out of corns and bunions. It's the greatest comfort discovery of the age. Allen's Foot-Ease makes tight or new shoes feel easy. It is a certain cure for sweating, callous and hot, tired, aching feet. Try it today. Sold by all druggists and shoe stores. By mail for 25¢ in stamps. Trial package FREE. Address, Allen S. Olmsted, Le Roy, N. Y.

THE TATTLER Residents of Bellow's Falls, Vt., have been much amused lately to see Mrs. Betty Green walking the streets leading a shaggy terrier that weighs but three pounds.

Mrs. Emmons Elaine's gift of \$50,000 to the University of Chicago to establish a college for teachers will be put to the test, and the new department will be opened Oct. 1.

Miss Edith Shaw, who was commissioned by the Toronto council to prepare the resolution of condolence to the widow of the late W. E. Gladstone, has completed her work.

Mrs. Kathleen Blake Watkins, who was married in Washington the other day to Dr. Theodore Columbus, is better known to newspaper readers as Kit, the woman who reported the way for a Toronto paper.

Mrs. Whitman of Boston has contributed a beautiful place of woman's work in the Greek window lately put up in the Harvard Memorial hall. The window is large and has been placed opposite the main entrance of the hall.

Miss Dorothy Dunlop, whose death was recently announced from Concord, N. H., was probably the most widely known Shaker among the 18 societies in America. She came to the Shakers at Canterbury when she was only 8 years old.

Mrs. Clara P. Bourland has been elected president of the Woman's club of Peoria, Ill., for the coming year. She also received a club pin with diamonds, a gift from the members, in appreciation of her faithful service as their president.

Mrs. E. Spencer Large of Tokyo, Japan, has been appointed by the world's executive committee of the Woman's Christian Temperance union as a resident missionary. Mrs. Large is the wife of the Rev. F. A. Large, who was murdered in Japan in 1890.

Following the example of daughters of several other prominent military and naval officers, Miss Lillian Young, daughter of a San Diego, Cal., officer, has turned to the stage as a profession and will soon appear at one of the San Francisco theaters.

Mrs. Marie Lane of Naperville, Wash., who was fatally injured in an accident in that town recently, was one of the state's pioneers and had written a story of her life which was said to have contained a valuable history of Lewis county, but when her home was destroyed by fire not long ago the manuscript was burned with it.

Mrs. Mary Doullan, wife of Captain Doullan, a boatbuilder of New Orleans, has written a brilliant examination as a steamboat pilot and is a member of the American Association of Masters and Pilots, having been admitted unanimously on a high rating as to knowledge and bravery. Mrs. Doullan has been married 14 years, and most of that time has been spent with her husband on the water.

RELIEF FROM PAIN.

Women Everywhere Express their Gratitude to Mrs. Pinkham.

Mrs. T. A. WALDEN, Gibson, Ga., writes: "Dear Mrs. Pinkham:—Before taking your medicine, life was a burden to me. I never saw a light day. At my monthly period I suffered untold misery, and a great deal of the time I was troubled with a severe pain in my side. Before taking the first bottle of your Vegetable Compound I could tell it was doing me good. I continued its use, also used the Liver Pills and Purgative Wash, and have been greatly helped. I would like to have you use my letter for the benefit of others."

Mrs. FLORENCE A. WOLFE, 615 Highbury St., Lancaster, Ohio, writes: "Dear Mrs. Pinkham:—For two years I was troubled with what the local physicians told me was inflammation of the womb. Every month I suffered terribly. I had taken enough medicine from the doctors to cure any one, but obtained relief for a short time only. At last I concluded to write to you in regard to my case, and say that by following your advice I am now perfectly well."

Mrs. W. R. BATES, Nashville, La., writes: "Before writing to you I suffered dreadfully from painful menstruation, leucorrhoea and sore feeling in the lower part of the bowels. Now my friends want to know what makes me look so well. I do not hesitate one minute in telling them what has brought about this great change. I cannot praise Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound enough. It is the greatest remedy of the age."

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THE TATTLER Residents of Bellow's Falls, Vt., have been much amused lately to see Mrs. Betty Green walking the streets leading a shaggy terrier that weighs but three pounds.

Mrs. Emmons Elaine's gift of \$50,000 to the University of Chicago to establish a college for teachers will be put to the test, and the new department will be opened Oct. 1.

Miss Edith Shaw, who was commissioned by the Toronto council to prepare the resolution of condolence to the widow of the late W. E. Gladstone, has completed her work.

Mrs. Kathleen Blake Watkins, who was married in Washington the other day to Dr. Theodore Columbus, is better known to newspaper readers as Kit, the woman who reported the way for a Toronto paper.

Mrs. Whitman of Boston has contributed a beautiful place of woman's work in the Greek window lately put up in the Harvard Memorial hall. The window is large and has been placed opposite the main entrance of the hall.

Miss Dorothy Dunlop, whose death was recently announced from Concord, N. H., was probably the most widely known Shaker among the 18 societies in America. She came to the Shakers at Canterbury when she was only 8 years old.

Mrs. Clara P. Bourland has been elected president of the Woman's club of Peoria, Ill., for the coming year. She also received a club pin with diamonds, a gift from the members, in appreciation of her faithful service as their president.

Mrs. E. Spencer Large of Tokyo, Japan, has been appointed by the world's executive committee of the Woman's Christian Temperance union as a resident missionary. Mrs. Large is the wife of the Rev. F. A. Large, who was murdered in Japan in 1890.

Following the example of daughters of several other prominent military and naval officers, Miss Lillian Young, daughter of a San Diego, Cal., officer, has turned to the stage as a profession and will soon appear at one of the San Francisco theaters.

Mrs. Marie Lane of Naperville, Wash., who was fatally injured in an accident in that town recently, was one of the state's pioneers and had written a story of her life which was said to have contained a valuable history of Lewis county, but when her home was destroyed by fire not long ago the manuscript was burned with it.

Mrs. Mary Doullan, wife of Captain Doullan, a boatbuilder of New Orleans, has written a brilliant examination as a steamboat pilot and is a member of the American Association of Masters and Pilots, having been admitted unanimously on a high rating as to knowledge and bravery. Mrs. Doullan has been married 14 years, and most of that time has been spent with her husband on the water.

General Miles and his porcelain tub are fully vindicated. What an army needs is cleanliness as well as courage.—Washington Star.

Schley's declaration, "Our arms are their defense; their arms our recompense," should make him a fair rival of Hobson with all womankind.—Washington Times.

Hobson has been kissed, but the hero of Manila, the hero of the war, will prove the greatest thing that has happened to him since he was a boy.—Salt Lake Herald.

General Wheeler has a strong sense of humor. But it isn't polite for any of those under him to have fun with him. He wants to have things done and goes the shortest way about it.—New York Sun.

HE OF THE GOLD COLLAR. - It is tough on Aguinaldo to make him sit on the fence and see the game.—Kansas City Times.

Aguinaldo must content himself with an occasional peek into Manila when the gate happens to stand ajar.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

In case Aguinaldo declines to recognize the official finish, Admiral Dewey may find it necessary to peek his truck for him and send him to China.—Washington Post.

Aguinaldo seems to keep in the middle of the road all by himself. He so called recently appointed adviser maintains a discreet and cautious silence.—Galveston News.

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REGISTRARS' NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the lists of qualified voters of the city of North Adams, have been printed and are now posted as required by law.

The Board of Registrars of voters will be in session for the purpose of receiving evidence of the qualification of persons claiming the right to vote at the November election, and for the correction of the voting lists, on the old court room, City Hall building, as follows:

Friday, Sept. 16, from 2 to 5 and 7 to 9 p. m.
Tuesday, Sept. 20, from 2 to 5 and 7 to 9 p. m.
Friday, Sept. 23, from 2 to 5 and 7 to 9 p. m.

Every person must, in order to be registered as a voter, apply in person for registration and prove that he is qualified to register.

Every male applicant for registration shall present a tax bill or notice from the collector of taxes, or a certificate from the assessors showing that he was assessed as a resident of the city on the preceding first day of May, or a certificate that he became a resident therein at least six months preceding the next election.

HARVEY A. GALLUP, NARCISSE D. GIBLIN, WILLIAM D. DEVEREAUX, CHARLES S. BROOKER, Board of Registrars, North Adams, September 6, 1939.

Notice. The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Fitchburg Railroad company will be held at Horticultural hall, Tremont street, Boston, on Wednesday, the twenty-eighth day of September, 1939, at eleven o'clock, a. m., for the election of directors for the ensuing year and to transact any other business which may properly come before said meeting.

The Transfer books will be closed from the 19th to the 28th of September, 1939, both inclusive.

ALBERT S. CHEEVER, Clerk.

Stockholders will be passed to and from the place of meeting on exhibiting their certificates of stock to the conductors on any regular passenger train of Tuesday, September 27, 1939, or on any regular passenger train due to arrive in Boston before 11 o'clock a. m. of the day of the meeting.

They can only return on regular passenger trains of the afternoon of the day of the meeting. C. L. MAYNE, General Supt.

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Life today, with all its glory,
Is its drawbacks to my mind,
For the old time brought us pleasures
Children now don't seem to find.

Ah, my boy's a charming picture,
Always in a tidy suit,
But in after life he'll settle
When his mother puts up fruit.

The Usual Clean Sweeps
"Who is the best?"
"Robert (conductor)."
"And his wife?"
"Teacher (an admiral)."
"And all those young fellows?"
"Naval fleet mate."
"And the pretty girl?"
"Christened the latest battleship."
"Great Neptune! But you must make an exception. That striking professional singer!"
"To on the high sea"—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Mandamus.
I did in verse quite simply write,
With a stanza of two bright lines,
That surely would be pleased with it,
Because it was so simply writ.
But I was told, they'd have it not,
Because, they said, "twas wrong writ."
—New York Truth.

Severely Practical.
"The love that makes the world go round," she blithely sang.
"Then how do you account for the action of the moon and stars?" asked the young man from Boston in his severely practical way.
And he doesn't know to this day how much he missed by using such a prosaic view of the matter. —Chicago Post.

The Spanish General.
They vanquished me quite in the fray
And forced all our soldiers to quit it,
But let us be gay,
For allow me to say,
I'd rather refuse to admit it.
—Washington Star.

WANDERER'S SONG.

I have had enough of women and enough of love,
But the land waits, and the sea waits, and the day and night is enough.
Give me a long white road and the gray, wide path of the sea
And the night's still and the bird's will and the hum of the bee in the air.

Why should I seek out sorrow and give gold for pain?
I have loved much and wept much, but tears and love are not for life.
The grass calls to my heart, and the foam to my blood cries out,
And the bird's will and the road shines, and the wind's in the cup.

I have had enough of wisdom and enough of mirth,
For the way's one, and the end's one, and it's soon to the ends of the earth,
And it's the good night and to bed, and, if well, it's the sound sleep and long sleep and sleep too deep to wake.

—Arthur Symonds in London Outlook.

BARKER'S CAPTURE.

The day was infernally warm. It was June, and I turned into my club with no definite purpose except that of securing a cool drink and some refreshing drink. As I passed the hallman he stopped me with the announcement that there was a letter in the rack for me.

Somewhat surprised, for I never have my mail addressed to my club, I took the envelope from the man's hands. The direction was plain and simple: "Edgar Barker, Club, New York City." Imagine my consternation therefore when I tore open the envelope to find that it contained two blank sheets of paper—nothing more nor less.

I looked at the handwriting again. It was entirely unfamiliar to me. I tried to recall recent events and conversations with my friends which might lead some point to the matter in case it was done as a joke, but I could not. Surely no one would go out of his way to perpetrate a joke with so little sense to it. There was nothing in the way of satisfaction to be gained from such an action.

I looked at the postmark. It was stamped "Cambridgeport, Mass.," a place only dimly familiar to me by name. I certainly had no friends or acquaintances there. Slight though the incident was, it bothered me quite a little. To save me I could find no reasonable explanation for it, though I spent a whole hour over a long, cool drink in the smoking room puzzling over it.

I had just about given the riddle up as unsolvable, and had, in fact, quite forgotten it when Barker came in. I was glad to see him, and he seemed to be in a cool, collected mood. Barker is a quiet, unassuming man, but he always has something interesting on hand. He is an adventurous individual, and I was surprised to see that he was not already at the front fighting the Spaniards. My first query, however, which was somewhat to the effect, elicited a low growl from Barker that he had "no important business at home."

Of course that settled the question so far as my interested curiosity was concerned, and I forbore to question him further. He sank into his seat rather wearily.

"I never knew there were so confounded many clubs and hotels as there are in this town," he muttered.

"Yes," I answered tentatively. "There are a good many."

Barker looked at me quickly. He had said something he hadn't meant to say. I knew that as well as Barker.

"By the way," I said, suddenly remembering my mysterious letter. "You are something of an amateur detective. Perhaps you can solve this mystery."

So saying, I handed him the envelope. Barker scrutinized carefully the address and the envelope itself. Then he opened it and turned the sheets of paper over several times.

Carefully folding and replacing the latter in the envelope, Barker handed it back to me.

"Do you know any one who could possibly do such a thing to be funny?" he asked.

"No," I returned. "I do not, and, moreover, I cannot see where the joke would come in. The joke would have to be to a great deal more trouble than I have over it."

Barker shook his head. "It is just possible," he said, "that this letter is precisely what I am looking for. If you will oblige me by asking no questions of any kind and will come to my rooms with me, we may be able to make something of it."

He led me to his rooms, a small, but well-furnished apartment, and he showed me to his study, where he had a desk and a chair.

"Just let me have it overnight, will you?" he begged.

Of course I complied with his request. Then I went back to the club to dine, Barker pleading another engagement when I asked him to accompany me.

As I entered the door the hallman again accosted me.

"Bag pardon, Mr. Barker, but was that letter for you, sir, I gave you today?"

"Why do you ask?" I demanded quickly.

"Because, sir, there was a gentleman here just now asking for it. He said that was his name, and he thought a friend of his had directed a letter to this club in mistake."

"H'm!" I returned musingly. "What did he look like?"

"Dark gentleman, sir—like an Egyptian or something. He said he was very anxious to get it, because it contained a check. He'll be back here this evening to see about it."

"Very well," I answered. "When he comes let me know."

I had just finished dining when a boy brought me to word that a gentleman wished to see me. In the waiting room I found him, a tall man, dark as to complexion and slightly foreign looking as to dress, but speaking English fluently.

"I trust you will pardon this intrusion," he said courteously, "which has been brought about by a curious coincidence. My name and the stupidity of a correspondent of mine."

I reassured him on this point, but hastened to tell him that although I had received an envelope addressed to "Richard Barker" it contained no check and only two blank sheets of paper. The matter seemed somewhat delicate, as of course if the check was drawn to the order of Richard Barker I might readily have cashed it.

But, although the stranger's face seemed full of disappointment, his manner did not show that he suspected me of appropriating his check. On the contrary, he was exceedingly polite and only begged for the possession of the blank sheets of paper and envelope in which the check should have been inclosed.

These instructions, I remarked, I could not give him at the moment. Re-explaining my delay by saying that I had been so busy, I simply said I had let him see my apartment, but promised to give him the letter in the morning if he would call on me.

An hour later as I was looking over the morning newspaper in the library I was surprised by the sudden entrance of Barker.

"Who was that man who came here to see you an hour ago?" he demanded excitedly.

I smiled. "How do you know anybody came here to see me?" I asked.

"He was followed here and the hallman says he asked for you. Tell me quickly—what was his name?"

"Richard Barker," I cried. "What yourself! That was our mysterious friend of the same name as myself, and he came here to get the valuable letter which I received this morning."

"I thought so," cried Barker. "Do you know who your friend is? Well, I'll tell you. He is the head and center of the Spanish spy system in this country, and these precious blank sheets of paper, by clapping the envelope with his hand, are to all probability important communications from one of his subordinates."

I was thunderstruck. "But, Barker, man," I cried, "how on earth do you know so much about it?"

"Because," he said in a low tone, "I am representing the United States secret service, and I have been on the track of this fellow for the last month. His name is no more Barker than mine is. He is Carlos J. Carver, one of the most intrepid of the many skillful spies in the service of the Spanish government."

"What true did he say he would come for the letter?" asked Barker after I had detailed my interview with the stranger to him.

"At half past 9," I answered. "He seemed to be anxious to get it."

"No doubt. But you must make further excuses. Tell him you forgot to bring it and will send it to him. Keep him here as long as you can."

With these simple instructions and without enlightening me further as to his course of action Barker left him, taking the mysterious letter with him.

The next morning, however, at 9:30 the stranger called. He seemed to be not a little disturbed when I explained to him that I had forgotten the envelope, but refrained from saying anything which might show his disappointment too plainly.

He suggested our walking to my apartment for the letter, and when I offered to mail it to him he protested quickly and vigorously.

"No," he cried. "I cannot put you to so much trouble. I will call again this afternoon."

I detained him as long as I possibly could—not very long, considering the limited range of our conversation made necessary by the circumstances.

He did not call that afternoon, nor did I see Barker again until late that evening. It was after 11 o'clock, and I was just about to go to bed, when I heard a knock at the door. I opened it and found the stranger standing in the doorway, which my bell was rung furiously.

It was Barker, his face fairly aglow with triumph and delight.

"Thanks, old man," he cried, seizing my hand. "It was fairly providential that he hit upon your name."

I was mystified, but patiently awaited the story.

"Guess am both safely jailed now," cried Barker. "And see here."

He thrust a heavy rolled bundle under my nose.

"Maps!" he cried. "Carefully detailed maps of the fortifications of Boston harbor, showing every gun in the forts, every channel and every mine in the harbor. Look here."

He took the two blank sheets of paper from the envelope and called my attention to something I had not noticed before by running my finger along the edges.

"Do you feel those little points in the edge? They aren't much bigger than pin points, but they constitute a cipher. I found the key in Carver's room. I tell you it was clever, his having the letter addressed that way. He knew his own letters were watched."

"But you said there were two," I asked. "Who is the other?"

"The other is the next most dangerous man to Carver himself. I could have nabbed Carver weeks ago, but I wanted to get this fellow too. Now I have them both at one stroke, thanks to your name being Richard Barker."

"But the message?" I asked. "What was it?"

"None," answered Barker. "Is the translation," and he thrust a slip of paper in my hand. "Will arrive in New York June 1—with maps. Take steamer Killyria same day under name of J. Pavey."

"I was only waiting," continued Barker, "for positive evidence against Carver, and to get his fellow too. I've got him both now and their precious maps, too."

"—Alfred Stoddard in Philadelphia Press.

Home Rule in the Gladstone Family.
The breeze blew fresh late one afternoon from the North. Herman came up the fire as we were sitting at the table. He was, with immense energy on the subject which occupied his mind for the moment. The early autumn shadows grew long, and presently Mrs. Gladstone appeared with a wrap, which she put round her husband's neck, and we walked on.

As the end of another half hour she came out of the castle, reminding her husband that it was late. He answered that he was almost ready to go, and again we walked on. Mrs. Gladstone waited and soon said: "You know, William, you have to speak tomorrow, and it is very damp. Don't you think you ought to go in?"

"Yes," he replied, "quite time," then, with one of those expressions of humor not frequent on his face or in his voice, said to me softly, "We will take another turn to vindicate our independence," and we did. Then Mrs. Gladstone had her way, and we walked back to the house.

George W. Smalley in Harper's Magazine for September.

Timely Weaknesses.
A Chicago man who summed up his marriage on the other day and asked for his history book, explaining that the prospective bride, who in the morning had promised to marry him, had suddenly remembered in the afternoon that she already was married, and therefore "changed her mind."

JINGLES AND JESTS.
"Barker is Wilks."
Never fought for pensions, but of pensions come along.
I bet you that I'll never say this government is wrong.
We give unto the faithful just the best we had to give.
An now when all is over—well, a feller's got to live.

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THE NEIGHBORING TOWNS.

WILMINGTON.

W. H. Draper was home over Sunday.
C. D. Spencer and wife have gone to market for fall goods.
A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Wilmington, Sept. 18.
Fred Moore was in North Adams Monday and Tuesday of this week.

Mrs. C. D. Wheeler is still very low. There is slight hope for her recovery.
Mrs. L. C. Niles returned to her home here from Boston on Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Kidder were in Stratton Monday and Tuesday of this week.
Peter Murphy left town suddenly Saturday and his present whereabouts is not known.

Master R. C. Wheeler son of Mrs. F. C. Newton returned to his school in New York on Monday.
Mrs. Sarah Rice and daughter Amy are at Mr. Rice's father's John C. Morris for a few days.

Mr. E. B. Wheeler is having his house shingled. G. E. Haynes and K. P. Ames are doing the work.
Dr. M. Eleasarian, wife and daughter of New York are visiting at F. E. Medberry's for a few days.

Mr. L. P. Pettus of Brooklyn, N. Y., has been in town for a few days visiting relatives and friends.
Washington Averill returned to North Adams on Monday after stopping a few days with relatives in town.

James Barrett and son of Bennington have been stopping in town for a short time calling upon old friends and relatives.
O. P. Morris moved his household goods on Saturday to the farm which he recently bought in company with Walter Grimes.

HARTWELLVILLE.
Mrs. Esther Hyde visited at M. L. Bogtinen's the past week.
Mrs. Susan Leroy has been quite ill the past week but is better.

Hon. Silas Mason has been ill with a very bad cold for a few days.
Mrs. Eliza Smith went to North Adams last week to visit her brother, Mr. Scott.

E. L. Fuller and Arthur Miller attended the cattle show at Charlemont last week.
S. Mason went to Boston, Mass., this week to buy goods and to attend the Odd Fellows convention.

There was a magic lantern show at the school house Monday night which was very well attended.
Mrs. Myhan Crozier visited at E. Leroy's last week. She has gone to Searsburg to visit her brother, D. B. Leroy, and other friends.

Canedy & Carpenter are having the timber drawn on to Stamford mountain with which they are going to build their mill. They intend to have the mill running before snow flies.

Mr. and Mrs. Burt L. Smith and Mrs. Walter Sterg's and Miss Carrie Reed attended the fair at Charlemont last week. They rode on the wheels, going the first day to Rowe, where Mr. Smith has a brother. They returned Sunday.

HEATH.
Mrs. Mark Mahew is quite ill.
Charles Stebbins of South Deerfield visited Mrs. Charles Coats last week.

The summer boarders have mostly left for their homes, since the change in the weather.
Wesley O. Hawkes of Granvilleville, Mass., was the guest of Mrs. Charles Coats last week.

I Herbert Sprague with his wife and son of Bridgeport, Conn., visited Mrs. Coats Saturday and Sunday.
William Pennington and daughter, a former resident, is visiting at Ira Canedy's and at other places of his acquaintance here.

Most of the people here observed Thursday and Friday as holidays and attended the Charlemont fair. The weather was somewhat dampening but nearly all enjoyed the occasion.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Cary and children of East Colrain were spending some days last week at Mrs. Langdon's. Augustus Graves of East Colrain was visiting Mrs. Langdon's family last week.

BENNINGTON.
Mall Carrier Holleran is on a sick leave and A. M. Downs is filling the place at present.

Richard R. Braham has returned from St. Luke's hospital in New York city quite improved in health and will soon return to his duties in Troy, N. Y.

James Cone has purchased about 12 acres of land of Michael Cronan west of the center village and it is understood he is to erect a house on the same.

The soldiers who have returned to Bennington sick and in a weak condition are fast recuperating, and they now hear some talk of their going to do regular duty in Cuba or thereabouts.

Wells Valentine and wife have returned from a prolonged stay at Woodford City, and are at present occupying their pleasant home at Bennington Center.

Sidney O. Burt of the firm of Burt Brothers, dentists on Main street, is nearly fatal accident which took place lately, which by the accidental discharge of a gun he lost his right arm.

The display of old portraits, documents, etc., in the large show windows of E. E. Griswold & Son on Main street have been quite a drawing card, and the idea of a public building for the final resting place of these relics should now be advanced.

NEW ASHFORD.
The district school has begun again and is taught by Mr. Woodruff.
The dogs are making sad havoc in the flock of R. J. Smith & Son's sheep. Every few nights they visit the sheep.

Mr. Cunningham, the pastor of the church, has closed his services here, and at present we have no preacher.
Quite a number attended the Plainfield fair and were rewarded for their labor by receiving a goodly number of premiums on their goods and farm products.

The church sheds have been newly shingled and it adds much to their looks. A few of the ladies of this place gathered together a few days ago and gave the "old church" a thorough cleaning and also gave a dinner at the Hamner place for the benefit of those that were at work on the sheds and their own benefit, after their hard labor at church work.

FLORIDA.
Mr. Nichols of North Adams spent Sunday at George Lee's.
Mr. Talmadge of North Adams was at George Lee's recently.

William and David Allen of Monroe were in town last Sunday.
Henry Tilton and family of Savoy were in town last Sunday.

Titus Cain and family of Savoy visited at S. S. Thatcher's last week.
H. S. Brown picked a dish of field strawberries last week on his farm.

A large number from this place attended the fair at Charlemont last week.
Henry Tilton with his wife and children of Savoy, spent Sunday at James Wheeler's.

School in district No. 3 will close one day this week on account of the North Adams fair.
Mrs. James Wheeler has been quite ill for some time past. The little son of D. R. Gillette has also been ill.

J. N. Burnett and L. E. Ruberg took up a swarm of bees last week with between 50 and 60 pounds of honey.
A large number from here attended the Charlemont fair last week. Many are attending the North Adams fair this week.

The patriotic supper which the Ladies' Aid society are to give is arranged for and will be given on Wednesday evening of next week at the residence of J. O. Brown. It is hoped the ladies will be well patronized by all who can possibly attend.

C. W. Read has contracted to rebuild the house and barn of Miss N. J. Booth, in Griswoldville, which were recently destroyed by fire. He will be assisted by A. B. Clark of Wilmington, and commences the work next week.

The selectmen meet Saturday.
Dr. H. R. Hobbie of North Adams was called to town Tuesday.

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